

## DR. GRANT GIVEN MILD REBUKE VESTRY REPORT

Church Should Not Be Used  
as Starting Point for Prop-  
aganda, Says Committee.

RECTOR WITHIN RIGHTS.

But Mention of Mayflower and  
Buford Is Held Un-  
fortunate.

At a conference of the wardens and vestrymen of the Church of the Ascension at the parish house, No. 12 West 11th Street, yesterday, a report was made to the vestrymen by a committee appointed to consider alleged radical utterances of Rev. Dr. Percy S. Grant, rector of the church.

This report, amended in some respects, was adopted by unanimous vote. It says:

"The matters under consideration were two in number. No. 1.—The action of the rector in allowing a certain parade or procession to assemble at the parish house on Christmas Day last and thence to parade up Fifth Avenue, in support of an amnesty for all so-called political prisoners in this country. No. 2.—An address of the rector delivered at the forum meeting in the Church of the Ascension on the evening of Sunday before Christmas last, in which he declared his disapproval of the practice of deporting aliens from this country, and mentioned the arrival of the Mayflower with the Pilgrim Fathers in connection with the sailing from our shores of the transport Buford, carrying a number of aliens deported by due process of law.

"As to the parade or procession, we have been informed by the rector that either the captain or the acting captain of the precinct in which the church is situated, called at the parish house on Christmas morning, examined the placards which were to be worn by the paraders and stated that so long as the parade was to be single file, no police permit would be required, and further stated that he saw no objection to the parade.

"It appeared that the police of another precinct must have had a different view, or else there was some confusion, because some of these paraders were subsequently arrested on Fifth Avenue after leaving the church. These were afterward discharged by City Magistrate Corrigan, who stated that the placards were perfectly legal, and that the persons arrested in each case were entirely within their legal rights.

"From these facts we conclude that the parade was legal. We further find that the rector had the necessary authority to allow the use of the parish house as an assembling and starting point for this procession. Our personal opinion, however, is that in view of the circumstances, it was unwise to permit the use of the church buildings for this purpose.

"The result of such permission was to produce the impression upon the minds of many persons that the members of the Church of the Ascension favored immediate amnesty for all so-called political prisoners—all of whom have been convicted under due process of law, and many of whom have been convicted of crimes against the statutes of the United States after a trial by court and jury.

"We recognize that the general purpose of the parade was humanitarian and that the motives of those engaged in it were most excellent, but on a subject so controversial and as to which opinions differ, it would have been wiser in our opinion for the rector to have consulted with the vestrymen or with some committee of the vestry, and we suggest that when similar occasions arise in the future that course be pursued.

"As to the address of the rector in regard to deportation of aliens, he has informed us that his allusion to the landing of the Pilgrims was merely a comment upon the historical coincidence that a period of 200 years had elapsed since the landing of the Pilgrims and the sailing of the Buford.

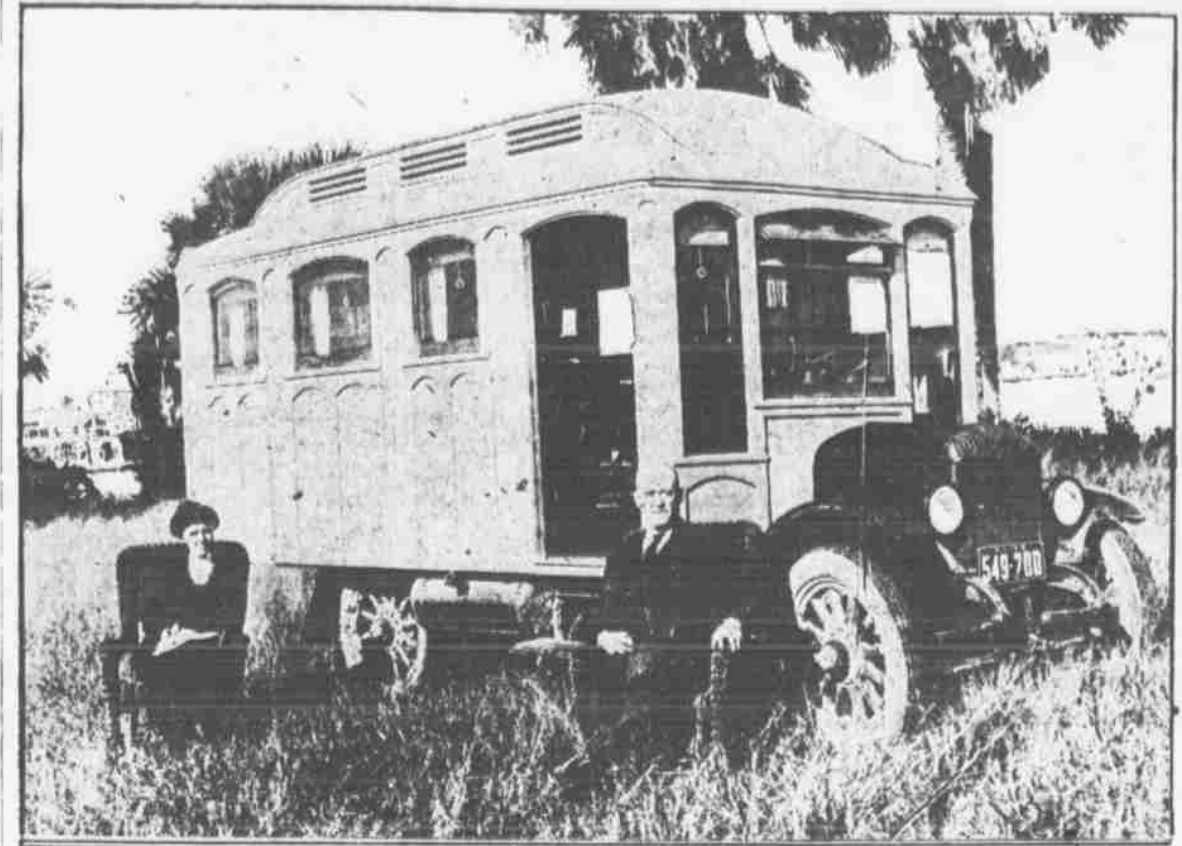
"He intended to comment merely upon the fact that the Mayflower brought the Pilgrim Fathers to this country as a political asylum, while the Buford carried away from these shores men who have sought asylum here. He expressly and positively disclaimed any intention of comparing the Pilgrim Fathers in any way with these deported aliens.

"He stated that he disapproved of the principle of deportation, but holding the view that if any person has committed an offense in this country he should be punished by prosecution here, and not be deported. He further called attention to the fact that he is not a Socialist, and that he believes firmly in the right of private property. He pointed out that the Pilgrims landed in this country in 1620, and that the owners of the slaves freed during the Civil War should have been compensated, and although he is himself a strong prohibitionist, he believes that the owners of breweries and distilleries should also receive the compensation for the value of their plants.

"He stated in effect that it was farthest from his mind to say anything which could be reasonably construed as an encouragement to any person who encourages violence or disorder or otherwise runs counter to our laws. The members of this committee personally approve of the practice of deportation in proper cases with due legal process, but they also fully appreciate and prize the great principle of freedom of speech and of discussion and of thought which are fundamental to all just governments.

"Whether our views are in accord with those of the rector or not, he should be allowed to express his own opinion freely and fearlessly, the only limitations being such as are imposed by law and the proprieties on every person. We conclude, therefore, that it was the undoubted right of the

## All Comforts of Home in an Automobile From Lockport, N. Y., to Palm Beach, Fla.



MR. & MRS. R. H. CORWIN & THEIR HOUSE-AUTO.

The photograph shows Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Corwin of Lockport, N. Y., outside their house-auto in which they made the trip from Lockport to Palm Beach, Fla. The auto contains a bed, made into a divan by day, electric stove and lights, washstand with running water, and many other comforts.

## JOHN F. DODGE DIES; BROTHER RECOVERS

Both Auto Builders Stricken With  
Pneumonia While at the  
Ritz-Carlton.

The body of John F. Dodge, automobile manufacturer, of Detroit, who died of pneumonia last night at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel, was removed to the Campbell funeral church this morning and will be sent to Detroit for burial.

Mr. Dodge, with his brother Horace, came here Jan. 3 for the automobile show. After attending a banquet of 200 Dodge salesmen Tuesday night of last week, both were stricken with influenza the next day. In each case this developed into pneumonia. Horace Dodge was said last night by Dr. Ira L. Hill, the attending physician, to be out of danger.

When the brothers were stricken, their families were summoned and Mr. Dodge's wife Matilda, and two of his daughters, Mrs. Winifred Gray and Miss Isabel, were at his bedside last night. Mr. Dodge died at 10:30 p. m. He was 52 years old. Besides the two daughters, Mr. Dodge is survived by four other children, John Jr., about twenty years old; Frances, six; Daniel, four and a girl seven months old, not yet named.

Born fifty-four years ago, in Niles, Mich., John Dodge worked as an automobile mechanic in Ontario, Canada. Then he went to Detroit, where he has been twenty years. He invented the engine of the machine which bears the Dodge name. He was President of the Dodge Company.

Mr. Dodge, with his brother, invested \$10,000 in the Ford Motor Company.

He drew more than \$500,000 in dividends and the two brothers later sold their holdings for more than \$400,000.

**PREVENTS JAIL DELIVERY.**

Prisoner "Taps Off" Plan to Escape to Sheriff.

Information volunteered by a prisoner in the County Jail at Riverhead, L. I., probably prevented the escape of two prisoners awaiting hearing by the court. The prisoner told Sheriff John F. Kelly that he had seen Gustave Monks and Martin Dillon giving the bolt on the back door of the corridor. He said he heard them plan an attack on a guard and an escape over the Canadian border. The men were at once locked in their cells.

**MUSTARD THWARTS ROBBERY**

Proprietor of Store Rout Man Brandishing a Knife.

Covered with mustard, Andre Graz, eighteen, of No. 282 Eighth Avenue, was held in the arms of a policeman, while behind him crouched an angry delinquent store proprietor, Meyer Leavander, of No. 283 Eighth Avenue. Leavander, who had been in the store early this morning and, brandishing a knife, demanded the contents of the cash register.

Leavander said he threw a mustard bottle at the intruder and chased him out of the store.

**Woman Sees Dealer Severely Burned.**

Mrs. Rose Kneisky, thirty-nine, a news vendor, was seriously burned this morning when her skirts caught fire. She was standing under the elevated structure at Third Avenue and 10th Street, Pasadena, Charles Bremner gave fire aid. She was removed to Harlem Hospital.

rector to express an opinion adverse to the law of deportation, and in the manner in which that law is administered.

"However, we regret the mention of the arrival of the Mayflower and the landing of the Pilgrim Fathers in connection with the sailing of the Buford carrying the deported aliens, as having been highly unfortunate. The misinterpretation and the misinterpretation of the allusion was easy and not unnatural.

"Finally, we wish to repeat our belief in the importance of preserving a free pulpit. Our rector has often expressed views with which all the members of this committee, and many, if not all, of the vestrymen, have disagreed. This has not prevented us from recognizing and valuing his sincerity, his courage, his earnestness and his devotion to humanity."

Bishop Burch declined to-day to comment on the report.

## FIELD MILLIONS WANTED FOR PEGGY MARSH'S SON

Suit Hinges on Court's Definition  
of the Word "Issue"

CHICAGO, Jan. 15.—Upon the interpretation of the word "issue" depends the success of a legal fight begun by Peggy Marsh, in behalf of her son, Henry Anthony Marsh, three years old, whose father was Henry Field, grandson of Marshall Field. When Henry Field died his brother, Marshall Field 3d, established a fund of \$100,000 for Peggy Marsh in settlement of a contract between his brother and her.

The suit is to collect two-fifths of the \$500,000 trust fund originally set aside for Henry Field by his grandfather, Marshall Field. Former Gov. Edward P. Dunne, appearing for the boy baby, declared that he is entitled to this share because the original Field will provides that this income should be collected by Henry Field or his "issue."

Ex-Gov. Dunne not only held that the child is entitled to the two-fifths of the trust fund, but that he is heir to the residue of the estate—more than \$500,000.

The manager of the estate, although granting the validity of the contract between Henry Field and the Marsh girl, maintains that the will of Marshall Field, providing for Henry Field's "issue," referred to his "lawful issue," and not to any natural children he might have.

Peggy Marsh was a show girl in London when she met Henry Field in 1916, and it is likely the present suit will reveal their romance, which never has been entirely divulged. Field left the girl and their child, promising to provide for them. He returned to this country, married a society girl, and died suddenly in 1918.

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## NIXON MEETS I. R. T. EMPLOYEES

They Want Another Wage Increase  
But Have Not Intimated They  
Would Strike.

Patrick F. Connolly, president, and a committee of the Brotherhood of International Railroad Employees, had an hour's talk with Public Service Commissioner Nixon to-day in regard to which the Brotherhood men would make no statement afterward.

Commissioner Nixon said that wages were discussed and that the men felt they must have another increase. It was recalled that when the strike last summer was settled Connolly gave his word to the Commissioner that there would not be another strike until the Brotherhood committee had a conference with him, but the Commissioner said he was not a member of the Brotherhood to-morrow afternoon, but he had heard the strike talk.

"The men want more money, as all of us do," said Mr. Connolly. "We have been having a series of meetings. Tomorrow's will be the second this week. The word strike has not been uttered at any of them."

## DIES OF ANTHRAX FROM RAZOR CUT

Victim, in Bellevue for Operation,  
Contracted Disease in Bowery  
Barber Shop.

Joseph Cook, forty-eight, of No. 13 Third Avenue, a longshoreman, died to-day in Bellevue Hospital, where he was operated upon yesterday for anthrax.

Cook was accidentally cut in the right cheek while being shaved in a barber shop on the Bowery last Sunday. On Monday the wound began to swell, and it became so painful yesterday that he went to Bellevue Hospital, where the swelling was diagnosed as a case of anthrax.

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## 1,200 CHILDREN MARCH INTO COLD FROM ASYLUM FIRE

No Sign of Panic as Orphans  
Go Through Smoke-Filled  
Hebrew Home.

Fire in the Hebrew Orphan Asylum, 136th Street and Amsterdam Avenue, drove 1,200 children out of doors this morning, but they had time to dress for the cold weather and they marched out as calmly as soldiers on parade.

The fire was in the drying room of the laundry, on the ground floor of the west wing, and it did not get out of that room, which is steel enclosed. But smoke filled the entire building.

The children were just finishing their dressing when the fire was discovered by an attendant, who told Superintendent L. J. Simmonds. He sent in an alarm and gave the fire drill signal. A moment later the steady tramp of little marching feet was heard throughout the building and the playground filled with children.

Six tonsillitis patients in the asylum's infirmary, just above the drying room, were carried out. The fire was put out in a few minutes when the firemen came. Nobody was hurt and the property loss was slight.

**BUYER ACCUSED OF  
SEDITIONARY REMARK**

Agents Say Soff Drink Manufacturer Cried, "To Hell With U. S. Government!"

Joseph Burda, a soft drink manufacturer of No. 407 East 73rd Street, this morning entered the wholesale grocery of H. Glatter at No. 301 East 74th Street, whose sugar license had just been revoked because he was charged with selling sugar at eighteen cents, which he had bought for 9-1-2 cents. Burda announced he would buy 500 pounds at any price Glatter chose to charge.

Department of Justice Agents Nicollet and Ried told Burda that the United States government would not allow any more sugar to be sold from Glatter's stock.

"To hell with the United States Government," they charge Burda with answering. "The revolution had better start right away."

They arraigned him before Magistrate Tobias, charged with seditious utterance. He was held until Jan. 28 in \$500 bail.

**Sir Oliver Lodge Arrives.**

Sir Oliver Lodge, the British scientist and investigator of physical phenomena arrived in this country on the Lapland at noon to-day for a lecture tour of the United States. His topics cover his views as to both branches of his research and the subjects are: "The Reality of the Unseen," "The Evidence for Survival," "The Destiny of Men," "The Ether of Space," and "The Structure of the Atom."

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## WILLIAMS OPPOSES BREAD PRICE BOOST

Will Ask Retailers to Take Smaller  
Profit if Wholesale Rate  
Goes Up

Federal Food Administrator Arthur Williams said to-day that he had decided to ask an expert of the United States Grain Corporation to be present at the Wholesale Bakers' Conference at his office, No. 130 East 15th Street, next week to determine why bakers cannot get the same results from flour sold to them by that corporation for \$10.50 as they do from other sources for \$15 a barrel. A chemical test of the Grain Corporation flour will be made.

In spite of reports that bakers plan to raise the price of bread, Mr. Williams said he hoped that there would be no increase in the price of bread in wrapper to the public. This bread, which now sells for 8-1-2 cents a pound to retailers and 16 cents to consumers, may be raised to 11 cents to retailers. In that event Mr. Williams said he will try to get the retailers to accept a smaller profit.

## POLICEMAN KICKED HER, SAYS WOMAN

Sergt. Herman Wiber Held on  
Charge Made by Brooklyn  
Police Reserve.

Police Sergt. Herman H. Wiber, forty-three years old, of No. 319 West 10th Street, Brooklyn, attached to the Bedford Avenue Station, was arraigned in the Bridge Plaza Court to-day on a short affidavit charging him with felonious assault. It was alleged that last Sunday night Wiber kicked in the stomach Mrs. Mary Maurer, a Corporal in the Women's Police Reserve at the Bedford Avenue Station.

According to Wiber, Mrs. Maurer came to his house and struck him on the head with her husband's billy. Her husband is Harry Maurer, a private in the Police Reserve at the Bedford Avenue Station. It was alleged by Mrs. Maurer that Wiber had made an insulting remark to her husband about her. Mrs. Maurer was arrested and when she did not appear for hearing to-day it was discovered she is in a serious condition in the Williamsburg Hospital. Wiber was held in \$1,500 bail for hearing Saturday.

**SAVIN GREENHOUSES BURN.**

Rare Plants Destroyed in \$100,000  
Fire Believed Incendiary.

The great greenhouse on the country estate of Frank W. Savin at Port Chester were destroyed by fire to-day with a loss of \$100,000, some of it representing rare plants. It is believed that an incendiary started the fire, which was discovered by John Boyle, a watchman.

Mr. Savin is a broker with offices in New York at No. 68 Broadway.

**Sentenced to Jail for Sugar Profit-taking.**

The first conviction for profiteering in sugar was had in the Federal Court in Brooklyn to-day when H. H. Thornton, No. 356 Lewis Avenue, accused of selling 100 pounds of sugar at eight cents a pound, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two days in jail and fined \$100. He is a son of the President of the Carlisle Company, operating a chain of stores in Brooklyn and Long Island.

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Midland Railroad Company to  
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All its Lines.

The Midland Railroad Company, which operates some of the principal trolley lines on Staten Island, will suspend service on all of its lines next Monday. It was stated on authority to-day. Placard announcements will be placed in the cars to-morrow.

The Midland Railroad Company furnishes the only direct transportation to Midland Beach. This line, which extends from Clove Road to Midland Beach, will be one of those suspended. Another line runs from St. George through Van Duzer Street to the old county seat of Richmond, and another is the Manor Road line through Castleton Corners to the Ekstein Brewery. A portion of the loop from St. George, and on Richmond Turnpike through Clove Road and back to Port Richmond, will be abandoned. The track between St. George and Clove Road is owned by the Richmond Light & Power Company, which will, it is understood, maintain service on this part. From Clove Road to Port Richmond, however, the line is owned by the Midland Company and will be closed.

The company states that these lines have long been operated at a loss, and announced some time ago that it would suspend service Jan. 19. Public Service Commissioner Nixon called a meeting of the citizens effected and a committee was appointed to go before the Board of Estimate with the plea that the company be permitted to charge a seven-cent fare for at least six months in order that time might be had to work out a solution of the